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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH, 1882.

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PRICE \$1 PER MONTH.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 14, FRENCH DANISH steamer, 903, L. C. Grove, Bangkok 3rd March, General BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
March 14, AMOY, British str., 814, C. HORNemann, Shanghai 11th March, General SIEMSEN & CO.
March 14, KWANTUNG, British str., 674, M. YOUNG, Foochow 10th, Amoy 11th, and Swatow 12th March, General DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
March 14, STERNER, British str., 1,304, Kirkpatrick, Shanghai 6th Swatow 13th March, General BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
March 14, SWORD, German Frigate, Commander von Blaauw, Manila 31st March.
March 14, PERSEUS, British str., 652, Korn derdeveen, Saigon 7th March, General DELCHER & CO.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
MARCH 14TH.

Nelson, British str., for Taku.
Harpoon, British str., for Swatow.
Allegro, British str., for Amoy.
Sunder, British str., for Singapore.
Marionette, British str., for Manila.
Sterlet, British str., for Singapore.
Educa, Spanish str., for Manila.
Ensay, Spanish str., for Amoy.
Ping-ko, British str., for Hoichow.

DEPARTURES.

March 14, NOVA, German steamer, for Chonan.
March 14, VOSWANETS, German steamer, for Shanghai.
March 14, GUTHROUN, British steamer, for Hoichow.
March 14, SIEGEN, American ship, for Victoria, (V.I.)
March 14, HIMALAYA, British steamer, for Swatow.
March 14, VOLTA, French steamer, for Yokohama.
March 14, NARVAL, French steamer, for Shanghai.
March 14, SUMATRA, British steamer, for Singapore.
March 14, EQUUS, Spanish steamer, for Manila.
March 14, STENSON, British steamer, for Singapore.
PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Fuso, str., from Bangkok—Mr. Barros, and 82 Chinese.
Per Kwangtung, str., from East Coast—Mr. Blaids and 80 Chinese.
Per Steamer, str., from Shanghai, No. 697 Chinese.
Per Amoy, str., from Shanghai—Mr. Keane, on European and 52 Chinese, deck.
DEPARTED.
Per Gleniffer, str., for London—6 Europeans.
Per Groundhog, str., for Hoichow—70 Chinese.
Per Yutong, str., for Swatow—120 Chinese.
Per Nona, str., for Chafao—20 Chinese.
Per Vesta, str., for Yokohama—10 Chinese.
Per Vesta, str., for Yokohama—Mr. Vander Pot, Minister for Holland.
Per Natal, str., for Shanghai—Messrs. John Day, O. J. Chavallia, Lionel Marks, E. F. Heath, Douglas Dick, L. Beyer, Edwin Schofield, and Abram Cropton.
Per Europa, str., for Manila—50 Chinese. For Asia—25 Chinese.
Per Europa, str., for Amoy—43 Chinese.
Per Standard, str., for Singapore—7 Europeans and 80 Chinese.
Per Apollo, str., for Manila—3 Europeans.

REPORTS.

The British steamer *Stentor* reports strong N.E. breeze and fine weather.
The British steamer *Amy* reports strong N.E. monsoon and clear weather from Hainan Island to port.
The British steamer *Pendo* reports left Saigon at 4:30 p.m., 7th March, arrived in Hongkong at 2:15 p.m., 14th. Experienced strong monsoon and heavy head seas throughout.

The British steamer *Kwangtung* reports from Foochow to Amoy had moderate N.E. winds. The British steamer *Sawak* had fine monsoon. From Swatow, the *Hockhong* has started with low winds towards the port; fine weather throughout. In another steamer *Gleniffer*. In Amoy steamer *Wendoverlock* (for repair of machinery), and *Flockow*. In Swatow steamer *Coushatta* and *China*. March 13th, steamer *Thales* left Swatow for Amoy.

BANGKOK SHIPPING.

February 28, ARRIVALS.
11. Rance, Siamese str., from Singapore.
12. Muah Yajinstra, British str., from S'pore.
13. M. del Duero, H. C. M. str., from S'pore.
14. Paknam, British str., from Singapore.
15. Antelope, French gribout, from Saigon.
16. Hornim, Swedish bark, from Batavia.
17. Louis, German str., from Chefooen.
18. Sumatra, British str., from Samarcang.
19. Consolation, British str., from Hongkong.
February 28, DEPARTURES.
1. Albany Isle, British bark, for Cheriton.
2. Ban Yong See, British str., for Singapore.
3. Hap Gooi, Dutch 3-mast, for Cheriton.
4. Marabout, British str., for Singapore.
5. P. Heinrich, German str., for Hongkong.
6. Anna, German str., for Amoy.
7. Anna, German str., for Singapore.
8. Anna, German bark, for Hongkong.

YOKOHAMA SHIPPING.

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9. Consolation, British str., from Hongkong.

THE CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT, the COMMERCIAL JOURNAL FOR CHINA, JAPAN, &c., &c., Published at the Office of the *Hongkong Daily Press* on the 1st Month of the Departure of the English Edition, containing the LATEST AND FULLEST TRADE INTELLIGENCE, REPORTS OR MEETINGS OF COMPANIES, THE LATEST TELEGRAMS, together with the POLITICAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The "Trade Board" has a large circulation in the Ports of China and Japan, the Philippines, Straits Settlements, &c., &c. Hongkong, 2d October, 1881.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

None.

BANKS.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION
(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER).
PAID-UP CAPITAL \$1,500,000

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED
ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 Months' Notice, 3 per Cent. per Annum
At 6 Months' Notice, 4 per Cent. per Annum
At 12 Months' Notice, 5 per Cent. per Annum

Current Accounts kept in Teras which may be learnt on application.

Geo. D. Scott,
Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, 4th September, 1882.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$5,000,000 of Dollars
RESERVE FUND \$2,700,000 of Dollars

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Hongkong—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.,
MANAGER.

SHANGHAI—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
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every description of Banking and Exchange
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commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, China and Japan.

Letters of Credit issued by our
Chieftain, Thomas Jackson, Esq.

NO. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 15th February, 1882.

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COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

Incorporated 7th an 18th March, 1843

Recognized by the International Convention of
30th April, 1892.

APPLY TO

B. G. ALFORD,
Surveyor, &c., &c.
Quon's Road.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1882.

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HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGER, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES AT—
BOXBART, SAN FRANCISCO,
PARIS, LONDON, HONGKONG,
LIVERPOOL, LONDON,
MELBOURNE, FOOCHEW,
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LONDON BANKERS:
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on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants
Drafts and Credits on all parts of the world,
and transacts every description of Banking Ex-
change Business.

F. COCHINABAD,
Agent, Hongkong.

9th February, 1882.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

FOOCHOW DISTRICT No. 1.
MIN RIVER.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Sheel or
Sand Bank has formed in the fairway of
the Min River, situated below the lower
limit point of the Fair Anchorage.
Its dimensions are One Cable in length and
One-third of a Cable in width.

The following bearings are approximate—
taken from the Shoalpart of the Bank on
which at Low Water Springs, there are Eight
Feet of water:

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about 2 cables.

2. N.E. corner of Custom House S. 37 deg. W.
The FAOSSA S. 72 deg. W.

3. Bearing on Yang-Hai N. 65 degrees E.

The size, form, and position of this Bank is
 liable to frequent change owing to tidal and
 other influences.

(Signed) G. H. PALMER,
Harbour Master.

(Signed) H. EDGAR,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
Foochow, 1st March, 1882.

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CAMILLO LELIS DE SOUZA.
DECEASED.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors
and other Persons having any CLAIMS
or DEMANDS upon or against the ESTATE OF
CAMILLO LELIS DE SOUZA, late of Macao;
Merchant, who died at Macao aforesaid on the
18th day of January, 1882, intestate and Letters
of Administration of whose personal Estate
were duly granted to POMPEU SIMEAO DA ROZA,
Esquire, of the said Macao.

That the said Creditors and other Persons
are hereby required to send in their
Claims or Demands, on or before the 1st day
of March, 1882.

And Notice is hereby also given that at the
date of the distribution of the said Estate,
and before the said POMPEU SIMEAO DA ROZA,
will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said CAMILLO
LELIS DE SOUZA amongst the Parties entit-
tled thereto, having regard to the Claims of
which notice shall then have been given, and
that the said POMPEU SIMEAO DA ROZA will
be bound to pay up to the Creditors and other
Persons so distributed to any sum less than
the amount of his debts.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1882.

SHARP, TOLLER & JOHNSON,
Solicitors.
Supreme Court House,
Hongkong.

ARNOLD & KARRERG & CO.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1882.

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CHEMISTS.

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The German frigate *Stosch*, Commodore von Blome, arrived here yesterday morning from Manila, and exchanged salutes with the port.Yesterday afternoon His Excellency the Administrator paid a visit on board the iron-clad *Trenton*, and on leaving received a salute of seventeen guns.The Russian steamer *Wladislawoff*, which left here on the 10th instant for Tientsin, is reported to have put into Amoy to effect some repairs to her machinery.

The action of Jurova is called to a notification in another column stating that those gentlemen summoned for Saturday next will not be required to attend until the following Wednesday.

This evening—at the City Hall Professor Anderson, the Wizard of the North, will give an entertainment of a moral and varied description. Some of the best logorrhea exhibited by the Professor are of a highly sensational character.

The Ceylon & Company are not likely (says the *Ceylon Observer*) to allow their steamers for Australia to call at Colombo for some time; the pressure of freight from England is too great at present. From the last steamer 800 chests of Calcutta tea were sent out at Galle.

Says the Shanghai Mercury.—"H. E. Sir John Falconer, the second master, and then Acting Head Master, was equally qualified as regards professional training, and much better qualified as regards his knowledge of Chinese. Mr. Falconer, the second master, and then Acting Head Master, was equally qualified as regards professional training, and much better qualified as regards his knowledge of Chinese. That there was no want of qualification on the part of Mr. Falconer, it is fully shown by the speech made by the Governor at the distribution of prizes at the Central School the other day, if any value whatever is to be attached to His Excellency's words. He praised Mr. Falconer in the warmest terms for the good work he had done in the school during the last twelve months, especially the teaching of English, and if what His Excellency said be true, he has been guilty of a grave injustice in passing over that of the Governor and his friends. After carefully reading the papers it seems to me that the parties concerned would have appeared to much better advantage had there been no attempt at concealment, as the latter naturally gives rise to a suspicion that they were in fear, not only as to the effect of the despatches themselves on the public mind, but that they might lead to further discoveries of a disgraceful nature. At present, however, we propose to deal only with what appears on their face. And in the first place we must do the Governor the justice of saying that he satisfactorily disposed of several complaints made by the Secretary of State, showing that certain matters which were said not to have been reported upon in regular course had in fact been so reported upon. The Secretary of State's despatch appears to have

been drafted by a less practised hand than those which have been received by His Excellency, and for this Sir JOHN POPE HENNESSY may thank his good fortune, for had the draftsman been better acquainted with the subject the reprimand would undoubtedly have come out in stronger light. This, however, is merely an incidental circumstance. For the general tenor of the despatches the Secretary of State must be held responsible, and they are certainly not such as one would expect to find addressed to a Governor whose policy received that full approval of the Colonial Office which Governor Hennessy always wished it to be believed he had met with.

The first point which attracts attention is the order given by Lord Kinnaird that his despatches are to be laid before the Members of the Legislative Council. In the case of the Chinese, he says—"This correspondence should be laid before your Legislative Council," and in the other—"I have to instruct you on receiving this despatch to have it printed and laid in full before your Legislative Council." The words "in full" seem to indicate that Lord Kinnaird did not approve of the practice followed by Governor Hennessy of publishing such parts of dispatches as concerned him and withholding those parts that were distasteful to him. Sir JOHN POPE HENNESSY was a clever manipulator in this direction, and we believe not infrequently turned metaphorical cursing into blessings by publishing portions of despatches without their context. And in the present case the Governor has not followed out his instructions to the letter, since he is ordered to have the first despatch printed on receiving it, whereas he allowed several weeks to elapse before doing so.

Coming to the subject-matter of the despatches, the point which strikes us most important is that referring to the establishment of the Normal School and the Education Commission. It appears that in July last Lord Kinnaird had before him a suggestion by Dr. Ernst as to the establishment of a Normal School, and his Lordship in a despatch to the Governor said—"I have been able, with the assistance of the Legislative Council, to act, without delay, on your Lordship's suggestion as to a Normal School." The Legislature had granted a sum of \$5,000 a year for that object. In thus providing means for at once starting a Normal School, the Legislature were influenced to a great extent by the consideration that it was a practical step in the direction of having English property taught to the Chinese youth of Hongkong. In reference to this, Lord Kinnaird, writing on the 25th November, says his remark, above quoted, "was not intended to give you authority to embark on a scheme of so costly a character, before the details had been submitted for my consideration, or provision had been made for the expenditure in the Estimates of the current year. I should also have desired to have before me the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the educational wants of the Colony, to act, without delay, on your Lordship's suggestion as to a Normal School." The Legislature had granted a sum of \$5,000 a year for that object. In thus providing means for at once starting a Normal School, the Legislature were influenced to a great extent by the consideration that it was a practical step in the direction of having English property taught to the Chinese youth of Hongkong. In reference to this, Lord Kinnaird, writing on the 25th November, says his remark, above quoted, "was not intended to give you authority to embark on a scheme of so costly a character, before the details had been submitted for my consideration, or provision had been made for the expenditure in the Estimates of the current year. I should also have desired to have before me the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the educational wants of the Colony, to act, without delay, on your Lordship's suggestion as to a Normal School."

Reverting again to Lord Kinnaird's despatch of the 9th December, we find that the Governor is reprimanded for having neglected to answer a despatch addressed to him in the previous February on the subject of the Estimates. What the purpose of that despatch was does not appear. We find also that the salary of the Supervisor of the Staff of Interpreters was fixed by the Secretary of State at \$1,800 instead of \$2,400 as proposed by the Governor. The Supervisor is Dr. Ernst, who, on several other appointments, was considered to be fit for the post. It is clear that the salary of the Supervisor of the Staff of Interpreters was fixed by the Secretary of State at \$1,800 instead of \$2,400 as proposed by the Governor. The Supervisor is Dr. Ernst, who, on several other appointments, was considered to be fit for the post. It is clear that the salary of the Supervisor of the Staff of Interpreters was fixed by the Secretary of State at \$1,800 instead of \$2,400 as proposed by the Governor. 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EXTRA-GETS.

THE LUNNET'S ECHO SONG.
The Plat's without is white with snow,
And, glistering white, this porcelain stove
Shows on o'er it's fairy grove
Of flowers and ferns a Summer glow;

Ah! here, though Saxa Winter whirls

Round hoary benders tales of storm,

The legendary syllables awhar,

And when a hawk to boy and girl,

Sighs like birds, hand-in-hand we list

To 'em, rapid current rolling

In passes, what o'chess ring?

Or is he a ventriloquist?

For oft, in rush of throbbing throat,

We hear, or fancy that we hear,

From mellow distance, leev yet clear,

A sympathetic soft note,

And hark! the lonely bird begins!

His own heart thus to intimate

The voice of an hour-gined man,

Concerting from the greenwood wild?

A hand-in-hand and hand to hand,

Wise! one! there have been wony times,

When I, in visionary rhyme,

Have played the lute's mimic part;

Care not in bower, not barren bower,

Haven frigged fond courtship and replies

In some all-purified paradise -

You, even the kiss from answering lip;

And to dreamless the lofty sails

High-souled sister goddesses

Became, and pealed the purple seas.

The stars more lustrous, blander glares,

Illusions, love, the mightier truth

Hath deigned. In our old Dresden home

The snow-flake flying like the foam,

But in our souls a brighter youth

In sweet for sweet of thought and tongue,

La blise the bird will fous to win,

One touch of far-off makes his

The pathos of the last's song.

Commander WILLIAM GILMAN, U.S.N., in *Harpers'*

THE ELASTIC-SKINNED MAN.

Mr. Marini is now exhibiting at the West-

minster Aquarium a middle-aged German

whose skin presents a very remarkable pecu-

liarity. The man's ordinary appearance,

says the *Lancet*, is in no way unusual, but

he is said to draw the skin from any part of

his body up in folds from one to five or six

inches long. As examples of this may be

given the skin of the forehead, which can be

folded forward for three inches; that over

the nose, the ears, the mump of the hand,

and the back, can be drawn out into folds

of varying length in the same way. The

skin, too, is very pliable over the subjacent

parts, so that on the limb it can be gilded

up and down like the sleeve of a coat or leg

of a trouser. There is no appearance of

subcutaneous fat, and when one of these

folds of skin is held in front of a light the

deposition of the cutaneous vessels; and

also the absence of fat are plainly seen.

The cause of this peculiarity are first, the

absence of the usual fat layer under the

skin, and the extreme looseness and length

of the fibrous tissue fixing the skin to the

deep tissue. It is evident that the long

folds of skin are not formed by the elastic

stretching of skin, for on observing one

being drawn out, the skin from the whole

surrounding part is seen to glide toward

the fold, and help its formation. The

skin is not specially elastic. The two situa-

tions where this condition is most inconve-

nient are the palm of the hand and sole

of the foot; in the one case interfering with

the firmness of grasp, and in the other with

security in standing.

THE KING OF BEASTS.

Just as I was falling asleep a troop of

long-mummied to rex, and I raised myself

to listen to their deep-toned, muttering

voices. They seemed to be advancing steadily

along the river towards our camp, roaring

grandly at intervals, and at length reached

the place, not thirty yards away, where the

buffaloes had drunk. Here they gave tongue

in splendid style, making the whole forest

resound again, and causing me to sit up and

shout my rifle unmercifully. Several times

I have, when camped in a patch of bush, or

lying at a shooting-hole on the edge of some

lowly pool or river, thus heard a troop of

lions roar in my immediate vicinity, so close,

indeed, sometimes, that I could hear the hiss

of their breath after each purr; and though

it is now the fashion to depreciate the courage

of the lion, the power of his voice, and every

thing else concerning him, yet it is a fact

that, under such circumstances, several of

them roaring in unison will make the whole

air in their immediate vicinity vibrate and

tremble, and I know of nothing in nature

more awe-inspiring, on a dark night more

calculated to make a man feel nervous. As

a matter of fact, however, according to my

experience, there is very little to fear from

lions when they roar freely, as they only do

so after they have satisfied their hunger,

whereas, when on the look out for a meal,

they are as still as the grave, or only give

uttered close at hand, seems to come from a

long way off. — *A Hunter's Wandering in*

South Africa, by F. C. Selous.

STORIES ABOUT NAPOLEON.

That which probably prevented Bonaparte

from becoming a gourmand was the idea

which constantly pursued him that toward

thine fire or forces he would become obese.

Far from having enriched the gastronomic

repast of one, one-soul, he is, among

all his victories, the penury & la Marenge.

The historic penury was first tried in oil,

owing to Napoleon's cook being for the mo-

ment short of butter. He drank very little

wine, also Burgundy, lie, how-

ever, preferred the latter, and Chianti better

above all other growths. After breakfast,

as after dinner, he took a cup of coffee. He

was frugal with his meals, as fast and

badly; but therein was perceptible that

absolute will which he brought to every

thing; so soon as appetite made itself felt,

it must be satisfied and his table service

was so appointed that anywhere, or at any

hour, he could have a fowl, onions and coffee

ready for him. He breakfasted in his bed-

room at 10 o'clock, inviting almost always

those who happened to be near him.

Between, his Secretary, during the four or five

years he was with us, saw him partake

of more than two dishes at a meal. One day

the Emperor used his table,

and was served with crepes, bacon, and a ragout

made of boiled meat mixed with morsels or

fringes of pork. During, the Emperor's

stay in Paris, he ate

nothing but

what he himself prepared.

He was a great

gourmand, but

never ate more than

one dish at a time.

— *Le Figaro*.

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